

Free Online Resources for Arkansas Schools

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Arkansas Traveler Student Resources – Elementary & Middle School

[Early World of Learning](#) (World Book) stories, games, videos, leveled readers, visual encyclopedia

[Kids Search](#) (EBSCO) searches of Middle Search Plus, Primary Search, Newspaper Source, TOPICSearch, EBSCO Animals, & Funk & Wagnall's New World Encyclopedia together

[Middle Search](#) (EBSCO) biographies, primary source documents, photos, etc., full text Lexile leveled

[Primary Search](#) (EBSCO) full text articles for elementary student research, Lexile leveled

[Searchasaurus](#) (EBSCO) access to Middle Search Plus, Primary Search, Encyclopedia of Animals, a general dictionary and encyclopedia in a single search

[TOPICsearch](#) (EBSCO) current events database exploring social, political and economic issues, scientific discoveries and other topics

[World Book Kids](#) general reference articles, illustrations, videos, games and activities for young students

[World Book Student](#) encyclopedia and reference articles, biographies, videos, animations and activities

[NovelList K---8](#) fiction database that contains enhanced subject access for over 70,000 fiction titles aimed at the elementary and middle school students with full---text reviews. *Must enter from [Traveler portal](#) only.*

Arkansas Traveler Student Resources --- Junior High School and Up

[African---American Experience](#) (ABC---Clio) research tool for African American history and culture. It contains primary documents, photographs, maps, and other images

[American Indian Experience](#) (ABC---Clio) primary documents and media database about the indigenous peoples of North America from pre---contact to the colonial era into the 21st century.

[Latino--American Experience](#) (ABC---Clio) database explores the heritage and current culture of Mexicans, Puerto Ricans, Guatemalans, Cubans, Dominicans, Colombians, Ecuadorians, and other Hispanic cultures in the US.

[Discovering Collection](#) (Gale) content based on national curriculum standards in major subject areas such as history, literature, science and social studies.

[MAS Ultra School Edition](#) (EBSCO) database of biographies, primary source documents, photos, maps and flags

[Middle Search](#) (EBSCO) biographies, primary source documents, photos, etc., full text Lexile leveled

[Student Research Center](#) (EBSCO) Simultaneous searching of Middle Search Plus, MAS Ultra School Edition, Newspaper Source, TOPICSearch and Health Source – Consumer Edition

[TOPICsearch](#) (EBSCO) current events database exploring social, political and economic issues, scientific discoveries and other topics

[World Book Advanced](#) includes encyclopedia, multimedia, e---books, and primary source databases, fully integrated in a single search

[NovelList K---8](#) fiction database that contains enhanced subject access for over 70,000 fiction titles aimed at the elementary and middle school students with full---text reviews. *Must enter from [Traveler portal](#) only.*

[English Language Learning Reference Center](#) information resource for middle/high school students new to the English language covers science, history, civics, life skills and literature

[eBook Collections](#) Link to 159 titles plus an additional 21 sets of multi---volume reference books

Agriculture

[Farm Bureau of Arkansas' Ag in the Classroom Program](#): an effort to re---acquaint those youth with their agrarian roots and to help them know the origins of their food and clothing through agriculture---related Arkansas curriculum frameworks, school garden grants and more.

Arkansas History & Government

[Arkansas.gov](#): current information about Arkansas government, state agencies, business, education, tourism and more.

[Arkansas Studies Institute](#): archival materials on Arkansas history and culture.

[Arkansas History Hub](#): lesson plans and tools for teaching Arkansas History.

[The Butler Center for Arkansas Studies](#): documents and photographs on Arkansas history, literature, art, and culture available for public use.

[Encyclopedia of Arkansas History and Culture](#): a free, authoritative source of information about the rich history, geography, and culture of Arkansas. Mobile access: <http://m.encyclopediaofarkansas.net>

American History & Government

[American Memory](#): provides free and open access through the Internet to written and spoken words, sound recordings, still and moving images, prints, maps, and sheet music that document the American experience.

[Crystal Bridges](#): explores the unfolding history of America by collecting and exhibiting outstanding works of art that illuminate our artistic heritage.

[Kids.USA](#): The U.S. government's official web portal for kids, grades K--8.

[The Library of Congress Digital Collections](#): digitized versions of collection materials including photographs, manuscripts, maps, sound recordings, motion pictures, and books.

[USA.gov](#): current information about American government, services, agencies and other topics such as business, consumerism, health, history, culture, travel, public service, science and technology.

Science

[Arkansas Public Health Virtual Library](#): provides timely, convenient access to selected public health resources on the Internet.

[The Cell: An Image Library™](#): freely accessible, easy-to-search, public repository of reviewed and annotated images, videos, and animations of cells from a variety of organisms, showcasing cell architecture, intracellular functionalities, and both normal and abnormal processes.

[ChemSpider](#): free chemical structure database providing fast text and structure search access to over 30 million structures from hundreds of data sources.

[The National Science Digital Library](#): provides high quality online educational resources for teaching and learning, with current emphasis on the sciences, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) disciplines.

Interactive Online Learning

[CUARL K--12 Educational Portal](#): designed to help teachers and students locate and use K--12 learning resources, especially those materials prepared or gathered together by the UofA system institutions.

[Smithsonian Seriously Amazing](#): provides numerous resources for educators and kids.

[SAS Curriculum Pathways](#) content in the core disciplines of English language arts, mathematics, science, social studies, and Spanish. Aligned with state standards and Common Core State Standards available at no-cost to every educator.

Digital Learning Environments

[Arkansas Digital Sandbox](#) connects technology and curriculum in a safe and secure social networking environment. It is a way to collaborate, store, and share multi-media in a closed, social learning network. All students and educators in Arkansas have an Arkansas Digital Sandbox Account.

[Arkansas Moodle](#), professional development targeted to the big shifts in Common Core, asynchronous online courses with virtual learning groups. Specific courses to be announced.

[Arkansas IDEAS](#), equitable access to high-quality, online professional development for all licensed educators in Arkansas. [Catalog](#) of over 800 free online PD courses for 2012--13

[Common Core Arkansas](#), Common Core Institutes and sessions, including videos and supporting materials.

[PBS TeacherLine](#), a wide array of professional development online courses for PreK--12 educators.

[Arkansas iTunes U](#), a library of educational content for educators and students.